

DEATH OF MR. G. W. FAUTH.
Mr. George W. Fauth, an old and respected citizen of Portsmouth, died at his residence, on Sixth street, last night. Mr. Fauth was for some years Treasurer of the city and had been a member of the City Councils, beside occupying other positions of trust and importance. Notice of the funeral will be given later.

KENTUCKY FEUD LEADS TO DEATH

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and it has been predicted since that that one or both would be killed should they meet as they did to-day.

Colonel Colson is in a highly nervous state resulting from excitement attending the tragedy, and as he has never fully recovered from a stroke of paralysis sustained last year, his friends are greatly concerned over his condition. Accounts of the killing differ, and it is impossible to give details further than while Colson and a party of friends were standing in the southwest corner of the hotel lobby.

SHOT AT PROSTRATE BODY.

Scott came in the hotel and when near Colson the firing began.

Scott, after being shot, walked backward toward the stairway looking to the barroom and fell down the stairs, dead as he reached them. His body rolled over against the barroom door, and as it did, Colonel Colson, who had followed, shooting at every step, fired one or more shots in the prostrate form.

Demaree, who was killed in the general fusillade, was shot twice, one ball piercing the heart and the other either penetrated the heart or went directly under it. Those in the immediate Colson party decline to talk about the affair, and while it is generally understood that several others were engaged in the shooting, no names are given.

The bodies of the dead were removed to undertaking establishments and all of the physicians in the city were summoned to attend the wounded.

FEELING AGAINST COLSON.

The most profound sorrow exists over the accidental killing of Demaree and Julian, and the feeling against Colson among their friends is exceedingly bitter.

Examination of Scott's body shows that he was shot at least six times. The fact that a part of the bullets were of 38 and part of 44-calibre indicates that he was shot by somebody besides Colson, or that Colson had two revolvers. Witnesses to the killing say that Demaree was directly between Scott and Colson when the shooting began, and that he was killed by the first shot fired. Colson lives at Mid-dleboro and represented the Eleventh district in Congress for two years. Scott was a young lawyer, living at Mount Sterling, and was a lieutenant in Colonel Colson's regiment in the Spanish war. When the killing occurred the city was thrown into a state of the greatest excitement, it being supposed at first that it was the result of a clash growing out of the political contests on trial in the Legislature.

Captain B. B. Golden, who is thought to be fatally wounded, is a lawyer, who lives at Barboursville, and was captain of the Kentucky cavalry troop during the Spanish-American war. CAPTAIN GOLDEN'S STATEMENT. Captain Golden made a statement, in which he said no words passed between Scott and Colson before the shooting, and that Colson fired first. Golden and Colson had trouble before and Colson's friends charge that Golden was engaged in the shooting to-day.

Fifteen shots went home in to-day's tragedy. When it is remembered that, so far as known only three revolvers played a part in the duel, it can be seen that aim was for the most part accurate. Colson's shots were true, but this detracts nothing from the noted skill of Colson, because he emptied his revolver after several bullets had lodged in him.

Following is the record of the markings: Scott, a bullet in temple, one in throat, two in lungs, two in back; Demaree, two in heart; Julian, bullet in calf right leg; Captain Golden, two bullets in spine; Colson, bullet splintered left arm from wrist to elbow. Bullets tore his cuffs and sleeves to shreds. Nobody not in line of fire was touched.

The death of Julian is most remarkable. He walked to his room unaided. His cousin, Judge Ira Julian, examined the wound and congratulated him on his escape. Doctors were busy with the dying and Julian waited. He was bleeding to death, however, and when the doctors turned attention to him he was past recovery. Captain Golden was alive at a late hour.

DANISH WEST INDIES.

ACCREDITED AGENT OF DEN-MARK IN NEW YORK CITY.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—The arrival at New York of an accredited agent of the Danish Government, charged with the sale to the United States of the Danish West Indian Islands, has not been notified to the State Department as yet except through the newspapers. There is visible reluctance to discuss the subject, leading to an intimation that a free discussion at this moment might very seriously prejudice any attempt the administration may have in contemplation to secure the assent of Congress to the acquisition of the islands.

It is not admitted that the matter has progressed to the point that a determination has been reached to adopt the project, for such an admission might lead to disagreeable inquiries from other nations, but there is reason to believe that the administration has given much thought to the advisability of buying the islands. Then the presence in the United States of an authorized agent of the Danish Government, if he correctly represents himself, is undoubtedly significant.

Gen. Wheeler Coming Home.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Manila, Jan. 16.—General Wheeler will return to the United States this week, making a stop at Guam on his way hither.

Three additional cases of the bubonic plague have been reported.

CRITICISM OF SECRETARY GAGE

His Course in Connection With
New York Custom House Sale.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY

The Question of Expansion in the House of Representatives—The Democratic Minority Leader Briefly Reviews Appropriations and Criticizes Severely the Actions of the Secretary of the Treasury—His Passage of Words With Republicans.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill was taken up in the House to-day. It was the general expectation that it would open up a stormy debate upon the question of expansion in view of the large army and navy items it contains, but the members only became very much engrossed in a discussion of an item of \$150,000 for rural free delivery, in which all are personally interested, and the subject of expansion was barely touched upon. The last hour of the debate was enlivened with an attack by Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, upon the Secretary of the Treasury for his course in connection with the sale of the New York Custom-house.

Mr. Hopkins, of Illinois, championed the Secretary.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Mr. Cannon was asked by Mr. Loud, of California, about the item of \$150,000 for rural free delivery, and replied that \$300,000 had been appropriated for the present fiscal year, though he frankly confessed it did not meet with his entire approval. The department had no right to create a condition which necessitated a deficiency appropriation. He should vote for the appropriation, but he should fall in his duty did he not call attention to the mal-administration of the department.

Mr. McKee, of Arkansas, made a general plea for economy. The revenue this year would not exceed \$500,000,000, while the Treasury estimates aggregated \$738,000,000.

Messrs. Loud (California), Livingston (Georgia) and Griggs (Georgia) were among those who supported the rural free delivery.

EXPANSION.

Mr. Ball (Texas) first introduced in the debate the question of expansion. He had read extracts from the Declaration of Independence and others from speeches of James Wilson, of Pennsylvania, in the Constitutional Convention and of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg. It was a long step, said he, from the conceptions of the Government portrayed in these utterances to the declarations of the spokesmen of the present administration. He vigorously assailed the recent speech of Senator Beveridge, of Indiana.

Mr. Davis (Florida) said he deplored the spirit of expansion which had taken possession of a portion of the people. Yet not for all the world would he withhold from our soldiers all the moral and material support they needed. If the war taxes were necessary to support them, he said, let the measure stand. Mr. Davis was applauded by the Republicans.

APPROPRIATIONS REVIEWED.
Mr. Richardson (Tennessee) briefly reviewed the appropriations for the military establishment, showing that in time of peace the appropriations for it with the deficiency provided in this bill reached \$121,000,000. He then proceeded to criticize the transactions of Secretary Gage in the matter of the sale of the New York custom-house to the National City Bank of New York. It had been charged, said Mr. Richardson, that the Secretary of the Treasury had violated the law and was subject to impeachment.

THAT CUSTOM-HOUSE SALE.
Mr. Richardson said he did not go to that length, but he desired to call attention to the transactions relative to the sale of the old custom-house in New York.

The Secretary of the Treasury, he said, had certainly violated the strict letter of the law. Because the process of the sale had been deposited in the National City Bank, which had purchased the property some of the papers, he said, had charged that the Secretary was technically guilty of embezzlement and had cited a decision of the Supreme Court made last November. Amid confusion that ensued Mr. Richardson finally made the House understand that he did not agree with this view. He expressed the opinion that the Secretary had a perfect right to deposit the money in a government depository, such as the National City Bank then was.

But he desired to go beyond that. The custom-house was sold to the bank July 3, 1899, for \$2,265,000. Just before the sale (June 5) the Secretary received a letter from A. B. Hepburn, from which he quoted this abstract: "Of course this bank is very strong, and if you take the pains to look at the list of directors you will see we have great claims in view of what was done in 1896."

Mr. Richardson then read a list of some government deposits in this bank at various times to show that for six months it had the use of an average of \$10,000,000 of government money. Was that due to the contributions made by the directors to the campaign fund of '96, he inquired.

A SLICK SCHEME.

Turning again to the sale of the Custom-house he showed how the bank had deposited \$3,850,000 in bonds in the Treasury and then, instead of paying the purchase money out, the Treasury had simply transferred the purchase price to the government's account in the



LIEUTENANT GENERAL SIR CHARLES WARREN AND MAP OF THE BRITISH ADVANCE.

General Warren commands the Fifth division of the British army. At the left of the map is Potgieters drift, which was seized by General Buller. At the right are Weenen and the Tugela river ford, which was the objective of General Warren's flank movement. Buller threatens the Boers' right flank and Warren their left flank.

bank. But not the whole purchase price was transferred. Only \$3,215,000, leaving a pitiful \$635,000 unpaid. At the same time it leased the property to the government at the rate of \$135,000 a year. What had the government got out of the transaction? A paper credit of \$3,215,000 and the privilege of paying \$135,000 a year rent. What had the bank got? The rent, the use of the purchase money which it loaned, according to newspaper reports, at enormous rates, and by withholding the last \$50,000 to prevent the title from taxation upon the property it had purchased.

"I leave it to any honest-minded man," said Mr. Richardson, "if that is dealing fairly with the trust money of the United States?" (Democratic applause.)

Mr. Hopkins, of Illinois, quickly challenged Mr. Richardson's statement that the bank was not liable to taxes.

"It is not liable for taxes until the title passes," said Mr. Richardson.

"It became liable," insisted Mr. Hopkins, "when it purchased and took possession of the property. How else could it lease it?"

"If the statement you make is true," retorted Mr. Richardson hotly, "then the Secretary of the Treasury is liable to impeachment by this House and the country because he says he did agree to pay 4 per cent. of the purchase price from the date of the sale. If what you say is true he has done something which was unlawful (and for which he can be impeached)."

THE INCIDENT CLOSED.

Mr. Hopkins' reply to Mr. Richardson was brief. The report of the Secretary of the Treasury, he said, not only met frankly and honestly every charge and exonerated him from every insinuation, but it showed business capacity that must receive the intelligent approval of the people of the United States. (Democratic cheers.) He denied Mr. Richardson's contention regarding the exemption of the bank from taxes. Any man with a thimbleful of sense would understand it, he said. The bank was held for taxes the minute it purchased and took possession of the property. The mere paper deed was only evidence of ownership, the real title passed when it took possession.

"I say," he concluded, "that the Secretary of the Treasury is entitled to the approbation of every honest man. Secretary Gage has made a record that any American ought to praise instead of denounce." (Great Republican applause.)

This closed the incident, and after some minor discussion the House adjourned.

Southern Baseball League.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 16.—At a meeting of the Birmingham Baseball Association to-day a call was issued for a meeting to be held in this city on Sunday, January 25th, to consider the organization of a Southern League for the coming season. It is proposed to take in eight cities and encouraging reports have already been received from New Orleans, Montgomery and Nashville. The Birmingham association is organized and is practically ready to begin signing players.

Will Report Nicaragua Bill.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—The Senate Committee on Inter-oceanic Canals to-day agreed unanimously to report a bill for the construction of the Nicaragua Canal. The bill is practically identical with that reported favorably by the House committee.

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been introduced for no unusual purpose and carried no special power; that it was intended to aid in the consolidation of the Seaboard Air Line system.

The bill above referred to has occasioned much comment, in that it got through the House without any one appearing to know anything about it, and appeared on the calendar of the Senate without having been examined by any Senate committee.

One of the incorporators is Mr. Joseph Button, clerk of the Senate.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. John Whitehead—Requiring parties suing out attachments or garnishee process to give bond.

By Mr. Bland—To constitute damages for torts committed by railroads, steam or electric and by electric light companies, prior to the appointment of a receiver.

By Mr. Matthews—To require steamboat companies carrying passengers for profit to provide separate dining-rooms, saloons and cabins for white and colored passengers.

The bill to amend section 333 of the Code, to provide for the assessment of capital used or employed in the mercantile business for local taxation, was ordered to its engrossment after considerable debate.

BILLS PASSED.

Among the bills passed were the following:

Regulating the appointment of assessors of land and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation of same.

To incorporate the Newport News and Richmond Telephone and Telegraph Company.

To amend and re-enact sections 3752 and 3753 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how officers suffering prisoners to escape shall be punished.

Making the contingent right of dower of a married woman in real estate, in which her husband has no interest, her separate estate, and authorizing her to dispose of the same by her sole act.

To authorize and permit M. A. Finch to erect wharves or piers and to construct bulkheads in the James river along the water fronts of her lands owned by her in the city of Newport News, Va.

EQUALITY WITH MEN.

The House Committee on Schools and Colleges this morning heard discussion on the bill introduced in the House by Mr. Todd, of Augusta county, which seeks to give to young ladies of the State the same privileges, by competent examination, as is accorded young men at Blacksburg. Mr. Todd's bill makes an appropriation of \$5,000 annually to the Farmville Normal School to defray the cost of educating one young lady from each of the counties of the State.

The bill was ably championed by Mr. J. W. Todd, the patron; Dr. J. W. Southall, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Dr. Frayser, of the Farmville Normal School; President W. W. Smith, of the Randolph-Macon system of schools and colleges; President F. W. Boatwright, of Richmond College, and Rev. James Cannon, of the Blackstone Female Institute. The committee reported the bill favorably.

NORFOLK DELEGATION.

A strong delegation from Norfolk and Portsmouth appeared before the Committee on General Laws this morning

BERKLEY NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

STREET IMPROVEMENT

Thoroughfares to Be Paved--Tunis Lumber Company's Officers.

Stockholders Met Yesterday and Re-elected Old Ones--Martha Cox, Colored Attempts Suicide Because She Thought Her Lover Unfaithful.

The bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Berkley, which became a law in the Legislature Monday, will empower the town of Berkley to increase its bond issue from \$100,000 to \$150,000. Seventy-five thousand of the one hundred thousand has already been expended in improving the principal thoroughfares, namely, Chestnut street with Belgium blocks; Berkley avenue to Third street with macadam; Liberty, from the postoffice to the corporate limits, with macadam. The other remaining \$75,000 is to be used in grading, curbing, guttering and paving the remaining principal and cross streets as far as it will go. The streets most likely to be improved are Pearl street, to be widened, paved and guttered from Liberty street to the Twin City ferry dock; Lee, curbed and guttered; Mulberry, curbed and guttered; the remaining portion of Liberty, from Washington to the river front, curbed and guttered; Clifton and Maple avenues, curbed and guttered; Virginia, plank sidewalk; Main street, paved and guttered; Berkley avenue, sidewalks on both sides to Third street, and the north side to Ninth street with first-class paving brick; Main street, plank walk from Liberty to the Tunis mills, and the cross streets, from Main, as far as the money will go.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Tunis Lumber Company was held in the company's office yesterday at noon and resulted in the re-election of the old Board of Directors as follows: Messrs. A. B. Dixon, G. C. Sims, W. H. M. Reed, E. L. Tunis, W. W. Tunis, A. R. Catcart, S. Eccles, Jr., H. C. Tunis, Theophilus Tunis, and re-elected Mr. Theophilus Tunis; president; Mr. W. W. Tunis, first vice-president; Mr. A. R. Catcart, second vice-president.

Mr. B. B. Freeman presided over the meeting, and Mr. W. H. M. Reed acted as secretary.

The directors then re-elected the old officers as follows: Mr. W. W. Tunis, general manager; Mr. F. C. Fingham, treasurer; Mr. W. D. Hardy, secretary, and Mr. S. Eccles, Jr., assistant secretary.

DEATH.

Mr. George W. Dishroone, a former resident of this place, who has resided in Suffolk the past three months, died at that place yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. The deceased is well-known.

To oppose and approve the measure introduced in the House by Mr. Bland to change the law in reference to the appointment of the quarantine commission for the Elizabeth River District, embracing the cities of Norfolk and Portsmouth and the county of Norfolk. The bill proposes to take from the Governor the appointing power, and to place it in the hands of the local authorities.

Mr. Bland opened the discussion in favor of his bill. He took a strong position and stated that he wanted the people of the district to act in the matter of the appointments, and favored the bill because it savored of home government.

Those who appeared against the bill were Mayor C. Brooks Johnston, of Norfolk; Messrs. Merritt T. Cooke, C. G. Kizer, Drs. C. F. Newbill, E. E. Field, J. C. Vance and W. T. Anderson, Senator Foster and Delegates Whitehead and Lyons. They each made strong speeches in support of their opposition.

In favor of the bill were Dr. F. S. Hope, of Portsmouth; Senator Maynard and Delegate Bland.

The hour of adjournment arriving, the committee rose, and will consider the measure in executive session on Thursday morning.

RENOMINATED BY CAUCUS.

The Democratic caucus to-night unanimously nominated John W. Richardson for Register of Land Office, to succeed himself. The caucus will meet next Wednesday night to consider the question of calling a constitutional convention.

SENATOR MORGAN'S REPLY.

HE REMEMBERS BETTER DAYS AND BETTER LOVED GOVERNORS.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 16.—Senator Morgan has published an open letter in answer to that of Governor Johnston of the 4th instant. Senator Morgan charges the Governor with having aided and abetted in forming a plan to sell the property of several Alabama corporations to a combination formed in New Jersey with a capital stock larger than the State of Alabama.

BABY'S BIRTH

can be entirely avoided by the use of "MOTHER'S FRIEND," a scientific liniment of priceless value to all women. Sold by all druggists at one dollar per bottle.

A booklet, giving all details, will be sent free by Bradfield Regester Company, Atlanta, Ga.

known to the people of this place and is an esteemed member of Tidewater Council No. 30, Jr. O. U. A. M.

BRIEF MENTION.

The damages that were caused by a slight fire in the carding room of the Chesapeake Knitting Mills about two weeks ago have been repaired, and the mills are operating again.

Mr. John R. Floyd, of Accomac county, is here on a visit to his brother, Dr. J. B. Floyd, on Chestnut street.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. McCoy have returned from Georgetown, S. C., and will make Berkley their future home.

Mr. W. T. Sears, who has been home for the past month receiving treatment at the hospital, has regained his health and left yesterday for Georgetown, S. C., where he conducts a sawmill business.

The Berkley Collision Club gave the biggest social event of the season last night at Odd Fellows' Hall, South Norfolk. The floor was in a fine condition for dancing, and with the good music, the evening was enjoyably spent by the club. The couples were:

Mr. Howard Johnson and Miss Mary Ives, Mr. Charles Sale and Miss Blanch Barrie, Mr. C. C. Perrebe and Miss Vivian Dashiell, Mr. E. Lee Cox and Miss Margaret Cary, Mr. Ed. Herbert and sister, Miss Mamie Herbert; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Grimalds, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wrenn, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. T. Cockey, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tilley, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Tatem and D. W. Lindsey, H. S. Eley and W. A. Willett.

Martha Cox, colored, who lives on Ninth street, became discontented with life yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock and attempted to commit suicide by drinking half an ounce of laudanum. She gave as her reason for resorting to such a rash act that her betrothed cared more for another than herself. Notwithstanding, her lover took speedy action to save her life. As soon as she had learned what she had done she secured the aid of Dr. W. E. McConville, who believed her of the poison. When she was fully restored to consciousness she said that she never would attempt to take her life again if her sweetheart loved every girl he saw.

Mrs. J. R. Walke is again quite ill at her home in South Norfolk.

Bills are being posted notifying the voters of an election to be held in Norfolk county on the 25th day of January for a delegate to fill the vacancy in the House of Delegates caused by the untimely death of Hon. M. S. Newberne. The call is issued by Hon. E. W. Saunders, Speaker of the House of Delegates of Virginia.

BERKLEY ADVTS.

J. R. WILLIAMS, FUNERAL DIRECTOR and Embalmer, has removed from 107 Chestnut street, opposite C. B. Gibb's Hardware Store, S. S. phone 1217 and residence 1220. Jan-17

Cabler's Bread.

Best in town. Leave orders FRIDAY for COFFEE CAKE, APPLE CAKE, LARGE PIES for delivery SATURDAY.

Cabler's Bakery,

70 BERKLEY AVENUE.
S. S. Phone 1414. de27-we,fr,sa

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LIVERY AND BOARDING STABLES, BERKLEY, VA.
Norfolk and Portsmouth trade solicited. New Phone No. 1,234.

bama would allow, and this for the purpose of selling for cash his stock in a coal company and several thousand acres of coal land.

In conclusion the Senator says: "Old, feeble and irritable," as you assert that I am, "I still have some recollection of men of better days who were Governors of Alabama that were honored and loved by our people, and it is a cause of irritation to me that many of our people are distressed because that great office is no longer filled by such a man."

THE PHILIPPINE STATUS.

SENATOR WELLINGTON INTRODUCES A JOINT RESOLUTION OF NOTE.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—Senator Wellington to-day introduced a joint resolution "declaring the purpose of the government with reference to the Philippine Islands."

The resolution sets forth the Government of the United States does not consider the payment of \$20,000,000 to Spain on account of the Philippines as "a purchase either of lands, persons or privileges of the inhabitants of the Philippine Islands, but that such payment was made with the friendly purpose of abrogating any claim of sovereignty that was then lodged in the Spanish Government and to prevent the intervention of other foreign powers in Philippine affairs."

The resolution further sets forth that it is not the purpose of this government to deprive the Filipinos of their right of self-government, but pledges them the protection of the United States in establishing a republic when law and order shall be established.

To Fight Bubonic Plague.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Washington, Jan. 16.—Secretary Gage to-day approved a comprehensive set of regulations prepared under the supervision of Surgeon General Wyman of the Marine Hospital Service for the prevention of the introduction of the bubonic plague into the U. S. and its dependencies.

MOTHER'S FRIEND